

CURRICULUM VITA

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2007 Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX
Major: Criminal Justice
Dissertation: *Prison Rape-Supportive Cultural Beliefs and Inmate Perceptions of Sexual Assault: A Texas Inmate Sample*
- M.S. 2003 Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY
Major: Criminal Justice
Thesis: *Evaluating Evolutionary Psychological Theories of Homicide: Sex Ratios as Less-Than-Ideal Predictors of Male Homicide*
- B.S. 2001 Kentucky Wesleyan College, Owensboro, KY
Majors: Criminal Justice & Psychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 9/2013 - present *Associate Professor*. Department of Criminal Justice, University of Houston – Downtown. (Promoted and tenured 9/1/2013).
- 9/2012 - 1/2014 *Assistant Chair & Graduate Coordinator*. Department of Criminal Justice & Social Work, University of Houston – Downtown. Coordinate and complete graduate admission application reviews; notify applicants of admissions decisions; conduct orientations; advise students on course selection, degree planning, and exit requirements; review student graduation applications; recruitment; *ad hoc* project management.
- 9/2011 - 8/2013 *Assistant Professor*. Department of Criminal Justice, University of Houston – Downtown.
- 9/2007 - 8/2011 *Assistant Professor*. Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Texas at Arlington.

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Sexual abuse

Prison/incarcerated sexual abuse

Program evaluation

Intimate partner violence

Violent victimization

Crime prevention

SCHOLARSHIP

Refereed Articles

Buckler, Kevin G., Gilmore, Elizabeth L., Cavanaugh, Michael R., **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2016). Ideological divisiveness in criminal procedure cases: Measuring variability in United States Supreme Court outcomes. *Criminal Justice Review*, 41, 409-426. doi: [10.1177/0734016816668949](https://doi.org/10.1177/0734016816668949)

Gould, Laurie, **Fowler**, Shannon K., & del Carmen, Alejandro (2011). Faculty employment trends in criminology and criminal justice. *Journal of Criminal Justice Education*, 22, 247-266. doi: [10.1080/10511253.2010.517771](https://doi.org/10.1080/10511253.2010.517771)

Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2011). When boundaries are broken: Inmate perceptions of staff misconduct. *Deviant Behavior*, 32, 351-378. doi: [10.1080/01639621003748837](https://doi.org/10.1080/01639621003748837)

Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2011). Too close for comfort: Exploring gender differences in inmate attitudes toward homosexuality in prison. *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, 36(1), 58-72. doi: [10.1007/s12103-010-9099-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-010-9099-6)

Graciana, Kimberly A., Blackburn, Ashley G., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2010). Federal crack cocaine offender resentencing: An exploratory analysis of system impact. *Journal of Criminal Justice & Law Review*, 2(1-2), 11-22.

Fowler, Shannon K., Blackburn, Ashley G., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2010). Would they officially report an in-prison sexual assault? An examination of inmate perceptions. *The Prison Journal*, 90, 220-243. doi: [10.1177/0032885510363387](https://doi.org/10.1177/0032885510363387)

Fowler, Shannon K., Blackburn, Ashley G., Marquart, James W., & Mullings, Janet L. (2010). Inmates' cultural beliefs about sexual violence and their relationship to definitions of sexual assault. *Journal of Offender Rehabilitation*, 49, 180-199. doi: [10.1080/10509671003666578](https://doi.org/10.1080/10509671003666578)

Blackburn, Ashley G., Zedwar, Nakisa, & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2009). Sober or not? Exploring substance use in cases of intimate partner homicide. *Crime, Punishment, and the Law: An International Journal*, 2(1-2), 95-106. <http://www.serialspublications.com/contentnormal.asp?jid=332&jtype=1>

Reprinted: Blackburn, Ashley G., Zedwar, Nakisa, & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2009). Sober or not? Exploring substance use in cases of intimate partner homicide. *Contemporary Issues in Criminology and the Social Sciences*, 3(2), 76-96.

Daza, Jason, **Fowler**, Shannon K., & Del Carmen, Alejandro (2009). Attitudes toward illegal immigration and their impact on support for immigration policies. *Law Enforcement Executive Forum*, 9(2), 75-90. <http://www.iletsbei.com/forum/articleDetail.php?recordID=1142>

Warner, Barbara D., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2003). Strain and violence: Testing a general strain theory model of community violence. *Journal of Criminal Justice*, 31, 511-521. [doi: 10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2003.08.006](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcrimjus.2003.08.006)

Books

Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., & Pollock, Joycelyn M. (Eds.) (2014). *Prisons: Today and tomorrow* (3rd ed.). Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett.

Book Chapters

Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., & Mullings, Janet L. (released 11/2013, © 2014). Gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender inmates. In C. Marcum & T. Castle (Eds.), *Sex in Prison: Myths and Realities* (pp. 87-111). Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner.

Blackburn, Ashley G., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (released 12/2012, © 2014). Contemporary issues and future directions. In A. G. Blackburn, S. K. **Fowler**, and J. M. Pollock (Eds.), *Prisons: Today and tomorrow* (3rd ed., pp. 311-329). Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett.

Newsletter Articles

Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L. & Marquart, James W. (2008, Fall). Prison sexual victimization: Exploring frequency and recommended help-seeking behaviors among an inmate sample. *CorrDocs: Newsletter of the Society of Correctional Physicians*, 11(4), 13. <http://www.corrdocs.org/resources/11-4corrdocs.pdf>

Technical Reports

Fowler, Shannon K., Blackburn, Ashley G., & Mullings, Janet L. (2018, January). *A Follow-Up Evaluation of Harris County's DWI Court Program: Saving Ourselves by Education and Recovery (SOBER 1.0)*. Report submitted to Harris County Criminal Courts at Law.

Fowler, Shannon K., & Blackburn, Ashley G. (2017, March). *Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Program: Demonstration Projects to Establish "Zero Tolerance" Cultures for Sexual Assault in Correctional Facilities, Impact Evaluation*. Report submitted to Harris County Sheriff's Office.

Blackburn, Ashley G. & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2017, January). *Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Program: Demonstration Projects to Establish “Zero Tolerance” Cultures for Sexual Assault in Correctional Facilities, Third Year Process Evaluation Report*. Report submitted to Harris County Sheriff’s Office.

Blackburn, Ashley G., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2016, March). *Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Program: Demonstration Projects to Establish “Zero Tolerance” Cultures for Sexual Assault in Correctional Facilities, Second Year Process Evaluation Report*. Report submitted to Harris County Sheriff’s Office.

Fowler, Shannon K., & Blackburn, Ashley G. (2015, October). *Harris County Sheriff’s Office Administrative Separation External Assessment*. Report submitted to Harris County Sheriff’s Office.

Fowler, Shannon K., & Blackburn, Ashley G. (2015, January). *Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Program: Demonstration Projects to Establish “Zero Tolerance” Cultures for Sexual Assault in Correctional Facilities, First Year Process Evaluation Report*. Report submitted to Harris County Sheriff’s Office.

Blackburn, Ashley G., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2014, October). *Batterers Intervention and Prevention Program Comparison Summary: Measure of Client Progress and Satisfaction*. Report submitted to the Tarrant County Community Supervision and Corrections Department.

Blackburn, Ashley G., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2011, June). *Batterers Intervention and Prevention Program: Provider Comparison Summary*. Report submitted to the Tarrant County Community Supervision and Corrections Department.

Fowler, Shannon, Rodriguez, John, Gould, Laurie, Phillips, Sara Jane, Bing, Robert, Butler, Randy, & del Carmen, Alejandro (2011, March). *Community perceptions of the extent of gang activity in Arlington, Texas*. Final report submitted to the Arlington Police Department.

Conference Presentations

Fowler, Shannon (2018, February). *Peer delinquency’s impact on the offender-victim relationship*. Presentation at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New Orleans, LA.

Fowler, Shannon & Blackburn, Ashley (2016, March-April). *PREA and inmate education: Best practices for insuring inmate understanding*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Denver, CO.

- Gilmore, Elizabeth, & **Fowler**, Shannon (2016, March-April). *Assessing the readiness of Texas childrens advocacy center forensic interviewers to meet standards for certification*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Denver, CO.
- Blackburn, Ashley, & **Fowler**, Shannon (2015, March). *Evaluating batterer intervention and prevention programs: Comments on research design and initial findings*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Orlando, FL.
- Fowler**, Shannon (2013, March). *Adolescent polyvictimization and its adulthood impact on victimization risk and mental health*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Dallas, TX.
- Fowler**, Shannon (2012, April). *The Role of Neighborhood Social Relationships in the Onset of Poly-victimization*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Social Sciences Association, Houston, TX.
- Fowler**, Shannon (2012, March). *Contextual Factors and Polyvictimization*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, New York, NY.
- Fowler**, Shannon, Jackson, Arrick, & Blackburn, Ashley (2011, March). *The Effects of Culture and Class in Predicting Rape Myth Acceptance*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- Fowler**, Shannon, K., Blackburn, Ashley G., & Marquart, James. W. (2010, February). *Prison Unit Culture and Its Impact on Inmate Safety*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Diego, CA.
- Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2010, February). *Avoiding Prison Sexual Victimization: Gender Differences in Inmate Advice*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, San Diego, CA.
- Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Marquart, James W., & Mullings, Janet L. (2009, November). *Inmates' Attitudes About Homosexuality and Segregation*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Philadelphia, PA.
- Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2009, March). *Inappropriate relationships: Perceptions of an inmate sample*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Boston, MA.
- Fowler**, Shannon K., Blackburn, Ashley G., Marquart, James W., & Mullings, Janet L. (2008, November). *Influences of inmates' personal definitions of sexual assault: Rape myths, importation, and deprivation*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, St. Louis, MO.

- Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2008, March). *Occurrence and health-related impacts of prison sexual victimization*. Paper presented at the Academic and Health Policy Conference on Correctional Health, Boston, MA.
- Blackburn, Ashley G., **Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2008, March). *An examination of inmate differences in fear of sexual victimization*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Cincinnati, OH.
- Fowler**, Shannon K., Mullings, Janet L., & Marquart, James W. (2007, November). *Exploring inmates' likelihood for reporting sexual assaults*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA.
- Fowler**, Shannon K., Marquart, James W., & Mullings, Janet L. (2006, November). *Examining Inmates' Recommendations for Preventing Sexual Assault and Feelings of Safety*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Los Angeles, CA.
- Fowler**, Shannon K., Marquart, James W., & Mullings, Janet L. (2006, March). *Rape Supportive Beliefs and Prison Sexual Assaults: An Examination of Prison Culture*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Baltimore, MD.
- Marquart, James W., & **Fowler**, Shannon K. (2005, November). *Processing Sexual Assault Cases in Texas Adult Prisons and Jails*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

GRANTS & CONTRACTS

- 2/2017 – 2/2019 **Fowler**, Shannon K., with Blackburn, Ashley. Research Associate. *Evaluation of Sober 2.0 Courts*. A research proposal submitted to the Harris County Criminal Courts at Law. Sub-contract from Sam Houston State University for a multi-year outcome evaluation. AWARDED
- 7/2017 – 8/2017 **Fowler**, Shannon K., with Blackburn, Ashley. Research consultant/evaluator. *Special Population Evaluation*. Awarded by Harris County Attorney's Office. AWARDED
- 5/2015 – 10/2015 **Fowler**, Shannon K., and Blackburn, Ashley G. *Strategic Administrative Separation Plan*. Submitted to Harris County Sheriff's Office for policy analysis and recommendations regarding jail administrative separation. AWARDED
- 1/2014 – 12/2016 **Fowler**, Shannon K., and Blackburn, Ashley G. *Harris County Sheriff's Office PREA Compliance Project*. Awarded by Bureau of Justice Assistance (2013-RP-BX-0014). Sub-contract from Harris County Sheriff's Office for

two-year process and outcome evaluation of demonstration project
[Extended one year—originally 1/2014 – 12/2015]. AWARDED

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate courses	Graduate Courses
American Judicial System/Courts (online)	Criminology (face-to-face & online)
Criminology (face-to-face & online)	Research Methods in CJ (face-to-face)
Ethnic & Gender Issues in CJ (face-to-face)	Statistics for CJ (face-to-face & online)
Introduction to CJ (face-to-face & online)	Victimology (face-to-face)
Race & Crime (online)	
Research Methods in CJ (face-to-face)	
Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice (online)	
Social Deviance (face-to-face)	
Statistics for CJ (face-to-face & online)	
Victimology (face-to-face)	

Thesis/Non-thesis Committee

University of Houston – Downtown

Bethany Leon, thesis member (Spring 2018)
Victor Bedolla, project chair (Fall 2017)
Jonathan Seals, project chair (Spring 2017)
Jesse Seay, project chair (Fall 2016)
Ronald Sweet, project chair (Fall 2016)
Jacob Allen, project chair (Summer 2016)
Jose Martinez, project chair (Spring 2016)
Serita Whiting, thesis chair (Spring 2016)
Greg Fremin, project chair (Winter 2014)
Virginia Phillips, project chair (Fall 2014)
Elizabeth Gilmore, thesis chair (Summer 2014)
Mohammad Abdallah, project chair (Fall 2012)
Emanuel Pavel, project chair (Spring 2012)
David Fusilier, project member (Fall 2012)

University of Texas – Arlington

William Howell, thesis chair (Spring 2011)
Angela Haub, thesis member (Fall 2010)
Melissa VanWinkle, thesis member (Fall 2010)
Sharece Downey, non-thesis chair (Summer 2010)
Joseph Smith, non-thesis chair (Spring 2010)
Jamin Vess, non-thesis member (Fall 2009)
Syvondia Bailey, non-thesis member (Fall 2009)
Elisa Espino, non-thesis member (Fall 2008)

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the Discipline

Vice Chair (Spring 2018-Spring 2020), Victimology Section, ACJS

Service to the Department

Search Committee, chair
Assessment Committee, chair
Rank and Tenure Committee, member

Service to the College

Faculty Assessment Coordinator

Search, Assistant Director of Assessment, chair

Service to the University

Academic Affairs Council, member

Academic Assessment Committee, member

Data Analytics Degree Curriculum Committee, member

Faculty Senator

QEP Topic Selection Committee, member

Search, Assistant Director of Institutional Effectiveness, member

Service to the Community

Tarrant County Sexual Abuse Advisory Council: Conference Planning Committee, member
(2/2009 - 8/2011)

Fowler, Shannon, Rodriguez, John, Gould, Laurie, Phillips, Sara Jane, Bing, Robert, Butler, Randy, & del Carmen, Alejandro (2011, June). Briefing on UTA Gang Awareness Survey, "Community perceptions of the extent of gang activity in Arlington, Texas." Presentation to the OUR COMMUNITY, OUR KIDS Steering Committee, Arlington, TX.

Fowler, Shannon, Rodriguez, John, Gould, Laurie, Phillips, Sara Jane, Bing, Robert, Butler, Randy, & del Carmen, Alejandro (2011, May). *Community perceptions of the extent of gang activity in Arlington, Texas*. Presentation to the Arlington Police Department Command Staff, Arlington, TX.

Fowler, Shannon K. (2010, November). *Sexual assault in prison: How is it different?*
Presentation to The Women's Center of Tarrant County, Fort Worth, TX.

Fowler, Shannon K. (2009, September). *Prison sexual assault*. Presentation to the Tarrant County Sexual Abuse Advisory Council annual meeting, Arlington, TX.

Fowler, Shannon K. (2009, July). *Prison sexual assault and inmate definitions sexual assault*. Presentation to the Tarrant County Sexual Abuse Advisory Council monthly meeting, Fort Worth, TX.